

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A voice coil motor of the movable coil type comprising:
a stator comprising of a permanent magnet, the stator producing a ~~which becomes a~~
magnetic field; and
a movable element of an armature coil, wherein
the armature coil is formed into a coil-shape having a cavity portion, and
a reinforcing beam made of non-magnetic and highly rigid material is formed at a
substantial center of the cavity portion.

2. (currently amended): A voice coil motor of the movable coil type comprising:
a stator comprising of a permanent magnet, the stator producing a ~~which becomes a~~
magnetic field; and
a movable element of an armature coil, wherein
a highly rigid reinforcing member, the shape of which is the same as the coil section, is
arranged at an end face of the coil-, and
the armature coil is formed into a coil-shape having a cavity portion.

3. (currently amended): A voice coil motor of the movable coil type comprising:
a stator comprising of a permanent magnet which becomes a magnetic field; and
a movable element of an armature coil, wherein
the armature coil is formed into a coil-shape having a cavity portion,
a reinforcing beam made of non-magnetic and highly rigid material is formed at a
substantial center of the cavity portion, and
a highly rigid reinforcing member, the shape of which is the same as the coil section, is
arranged at an end face of the coil.